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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Applicant acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed December 1, 2006, by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in the above-identified application. According to the Notice, the Amendment filed September 30, 2005, is non-compliant because the "drawings are not properly identified in the top margin" and the "changes to the drawings are not explained in either the drawing amendment or remarks section of the Amendment paper."

However, no changes to the drawings were made in the Preliminary Amendment filed September 30, 2005; therefore, no replacement sheets were submitted. A representative of the undersigned telephoned the USPTO on at least two occasions, leaving messages withdrawal of the Notice, but the calls were not returned.

Since no changes to the drawings have been made, respectfully requested that the USPTO rescind the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, and examine the present application.

If there are any issues that can be resolved by a telephone conference, the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned at 703-521-2297 in an effort to expedite prosecution.

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To the extent necessary, Applicant hereby requests any required extension of time not otherwise requested and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any prescribed fee not otherwise provided for, including application processing, extension, and extra claims fees, to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

Respectfully submitted,

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